

SELF-ASSESSMENT - MODULE C – LESSON 7: THERMODYNAMICS AND HUMIDITY

I. TEMPERATURE

State the boiling points and freezing points of water for each of the following scales:

	BOILING POINT	FREEZING POINT
CELSIUS	1. <b>100</b>	2. <b>0</b>
FAHRENHEIT	3. <b>212</b>	4. <b>32</b>
KELVIN	5. <b>373</b>	6. <b>273</b>

B. The temperature outside is reported as 16° F. What is the temperature in Celsius?

$$\begin{aligned}
 5^{\circ}F &= 9^{\circ}C + 160 \\
 5 \times 16 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}C) + 160 \\
 80 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}C) + 160 \\
 80 - 160 &= 9 \times ^{\circ}C \\
 \frac{-80}{9} &= ^{\circ}C = -8.9^{\circ}C
 \end{aligned}$$

C. List the four ways heat is transferred.

1. **CONDUCTION**
2. **CONVECTION**
3. **RADIATION**
4. **EVAPORATION**

D. Convert the following:

1. 50° C = \_\_\_ ° F

$$\begin{aligned}
 5^{\circ}F &= 9^{\circ}C + 160 \\
 5 \times ^{\circ}F &= (9 \times 50) + 160 \\
 5 \times ^{\circ}F &= 450 + 160 \\
 5 \times ^{\circ}F &= 610 \\
 ^{\circ}F &= \frac{610}{5} = 122^{\circ}F
 \end{aligned}$$

2. -100° C = \_\_\_ ° F

$$\begin{aligned}
 5^{\circ}F &= 9^{\circ}C + 160 \\
 5 \times ^{\circ}F &= (9 \times -100) + 160 \\
 5 \times ^{\circ}F &= -900 + 160 \\
 5 \times ^{\circ}F &= -740 \\
 ^{\circ}F &= \frac{-740}{5} = -148^{\circ}F
 \end{aligned}$$

3.  $39^{\circ}\text{C} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^{\circ}\text{F}$

$$\begin{aligned}5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= (9 \times 39) + 160 \\5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= 351 + 160 \\5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= 511 \\^{\circ}\text{F} &= \frac{511}{5} = 102.2^{\circ}\text{F}\end{aligned}$$

4.  $-10^{\circ}\text{C} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^{\circ}\text{F}$

$$\begin{aligned}5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= (9 \times -10) + 160 \\5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= -90 + 160 \\5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= 70 \\^{\circ}\text{F} &= \frac{70}{5} = 14^{\circ}\text{F}\end{aligned}$$

5.  $212^{\circ}\text{F} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^{\circ}\text{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\5 \times 212 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\1,060 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\1,060 - 160 &= 9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ \frac{900}{9} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} = 100^{\circ}\text{C}\end{aligned}$$

6.  $-40^{\circ}\text{F} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^{\circ}\text{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\5 \times -40 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\-200 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\-200 - 160 &= 9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ \frac{-360}{9} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} = -40^{\circ}\text{C}\end{aligned}$$

7.  $104^{\circ}\text{F} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^{\circ}\text{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\5 \times 104 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\520 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\520 - 160 &= 9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ \frac{360}{9} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} = 40^{\circ}\text{C}\end{aligned}$$

8.  $-20^{\circ}\text{F} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^{\circ}\text{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\5 \times -20 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\-100 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\-100 - 160 &= 9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ \frac{-260}{9} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} = -28.9^{\circ}\text{C}\end{aligned}$$

9.  $30^{\circ}\text{C} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}^{\circ}\text{K}$

$$\begin{aligned}^{\circ}\text{K} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} + 273 \\ ^{\circ}\text{K} &= 30 + 273 = 303^{\circ}\text{K}\end{aligned}$$

10.  $11^{\circ}\text{C} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}^{\circ}\text{K}$

$$\begin{aligned}^{\circ}\text{K} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} + 273 \\ ^{\circ}\text{K} &= 11 + 273 = 284^{\circ}\text{K}\end{aligned}$$

11.  $218^{\circ}\text{K} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}^{\circ}\text{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}^{\circ}\text{C} &= ^{\circ}\text{K} - 273 \\ ^{\circ}\text{C} &= 218 - 273 = -55^{\circ}\text{C}\end{aligned}$$

12.  $412^{\circ}\text{K} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}^{\circ}\text{C}$

$$\begin{aligned}^{\circ}\text{C} &= ^{\circ}\text{K} - 273 \\ ^{\circ}\text{C} &= 412 - 273 = 139^{\circ}\text{C}\end{aligned}$$

13.  $32^{\circ}\text{F} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}^{\circ}\text{K}$

$$\begin{aligned}5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\ 5 \times 32 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\ 160 &= (9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 160 \\ 160 - 160 &= 9 \times ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ \frac{0}{9} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} = 0^{\circ}\text{C} \\ ^{\circ}\text{K} &= ^{\circ}\text{C} + 273 = 273^{\circ}\text{K}\end{aligned}$$

14.  $310^{\circ}\text{K} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}^{\circ}\text{F}$

$$\begin{aligned}^{\circ}\text{K} - 273 &= ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ 310 - 273 &= ^{\circ}\text{C} = 37^{\circ}\text{C} \\ 5^{\circ}\text{F} &= 9^{\circ}\text{C} + 160 \\ 5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= (9 \times 37) + 160 \\ 5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= 333 + 160 \\ 5 \times ^{\circ}\text{F} &= 493 \\ ^{\circ}\text{F} &= \frac{493}{5} = 98.6^{\circ}\text{F}\end{aligned}$$

## II. HEAT

A. Derive the following caloric contents (in kcal) for the following:

1. A bowl of Lucky Charms that has 1 gram of fat, 27 grams of carbohydrate and 2 grams of protein.

$$\begin{aligned}1 \text{ g of fat} &\times \frac{9 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of fat}} = 9 \text{ kcal} \\ 27 \text{ g of CHO} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of CHO}} = 108 \text{ kcal} \\ 2 \text{ g of protein} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of protein}} = 8 \text{ kcal} \\ \text{Total kcal} &= 125 \text{ kcal or } 125,000 \text{ cal}\end{aligned}$$

2. Two teaspoons of peanut butter that has 16 grams of fat, 7 grams of carbohydrate and 7 grams of protein.

$$\begin{aligned}
 16 \text{ g of fat} &\times \frac{9 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of fat}} = 144 \text{ kcal} \\
 7 \text{ g of CHO} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of CHO}} = 28 \text{ kcal} \\
 7 \text{ g of protein} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of protein}} = 28 \text{ kcal} \\
 \text{Total kcal} &= 200 \text{ kcal or } 200,000 \text{ cal}
 \end{aligned}$$

3.  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of Cream of Chicken soup that has 3 grams of fat, 10 grams of carbohydrate and 3 grams of protein.

$$\begin{aligned}
 3 \text{ g of fat} &\times \frac{9 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of fat}} = 27 \text{ kcal} \\
 10 \text{ g of CHO} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of CHO}} = 40 \text{ kcal} \\
 3 \text{ g of protein} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of protein}} = 12 \text{ kcal} \\
 \text{Total kcal} &= 79 \text{ kcal or } 79,000 \text{ cal}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Two ounces of chopped chicken that has 1 gram of fat, 0 grams of carbohydrate and 13 grams of protein.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 \text{ g of fat} &\times \frac{9 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of fat}} = 9 \text{ kcal} \\
 0 \text{ g of CHO} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of CHO}} = 0 \text{ kcal} \\
 13 \text{ g of protein} &\times \frac{4 \text{ kcal}}{\text{gm of protein}} = 52 \text{ kcal} \\
 \text{Total kcal} &= 61 \text{ kcal or } 61,000 \text{ cal}
 \end{aligned}$$

### III. Humidity and Aerosol

- A. Calculate the relative humidity (RH) if the absolute humidity (AH) today is 18.4 mg/L and the temperature is 23° C.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \%RH &= \frac{\text{Content}}{\text{Capacity}} \times 100\% \\
 \%RH &= \frac{18.4 \text{ mg/L}}{20.6 \text{ mg/L}} \times 100\% \\
 \%RH &= .893 = 89.3\%
 \end{aligned}$$

- B. Calculate the relative humidity (RH) if the absolute humidity (AH) is 25 mg/L and the temperature is 30° C.

$$\%RH = \frac{\text{Content}}{\text{Capacity}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = \frac{25 \text{ mg/L}}{30.4 \text{ mg/L}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = .822 = 82.2\%$$

- C. Calculate the relative humidity (RH) if the absolute humidity (AH) is 18.4 mg/L and the temperature is 98.6° F.

$$\%RH = \frac{\text{Content}}{\text{Capacity}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = \frac{18.4 \text{ mg/L}}{43.8 \text{ mg/L}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = .420 = 42.0\%$$

- D. Calculate the relative humidity if the absolute humidity is 23.0 mg/L and the temperature is 25° C.

$$\%RH = \frac{\text{Content}}{\text{Capacity}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = \frac{23.0 \text{ mg/L}}{23.0 \text{ mg/L}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = 1.00 = 100.0\%$$

- E. Calculate the relative humidity if the PH<sub>2</sub>O today is 19.8 mm Hg and the temperature is 37° C.

A content of 19.8 mmHg occurs at temperature of 22°C. This is equivalent to a content at this temperature is 19.4 mg/L

$$\%RH = \frac{\text{Content}}{\text{Capacity}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = \frac{19.8 \text{ mg/L}}{43.8 \text{ mg/L}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = .452 = 45.2\%$$

- F. Calculate the relative humidity if the PH<sub>2</sub>O today is 17.5 mm Hg and the temperature is 22° C.

$$\%RH = \frac{\text{Content}}{\text{Capacity}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = \frac{17.5 \text{ mg/L}}{19.4 \text{ mg/L}} \times 100\%$$

$$\%RH = .902 = 90.2\%$$

- G. Calculate the absolute humidity (AH) if the relative humidity (RH) is 50% and the temperature is 25° C.

$$AH = \text{Capacity} \times \%RH$$
$$AH = 23 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.50 = 11.5 \text{ mg/L}$$

- H. If the air temperature is 20° C and the relative humidity is 30%, calculate the absolute humidity (AH).

$$AH = \text{Capacity} \times \%RH$$
$$AH = 17.3 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.30 = 5.19 \approx 5.2 \text{ mg/L}$$

- I. Calculate the absolute humidity if the temperature is 34° C and the relative humidity is 45%.

$$AH = \text{Capacity} \times \%RH$$
$$AH = 37.6 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.45 = 16.9 \text{ mg/L}$$

- J. Calculate the absolute humidity (AH) if the temperature is 37° C and the relative humidity (RH) is 100%.

$$AH = \text{Capacity} \times \%RH$$
$$AH = 43.8 \text{ mg/L} \times 1.00 = 43.8 \text{ mg/L}$$

- K. Calculate the humidity deficit of inspired air at 30° C and a relative humidity is 65%.

$$AH = \text{Capacity} \times \%RH$$
$$AH = 30.4 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.65 = 19.8 \text{ mg/L}$$
$$HD = \text{Absolute Humidity} - \text{Body Humidity}$$
$$HD = 19.8 \text{ mg/L} - 43.8 \text{ mg/L} = -24.0 \text{ mg/L}$$

- L. Calculate the humidity deficit of inspired air at 37° C and a relative humidity of 100%.

$$AH = \text{Capacity} \times \%RH$$
$$AH = 43.8 \text{ mg/L} \times 1.00 = 43.8 \text{ mg/L}$$
$$HD = \text{Absolute Humidity} - \text{Body Humidity}$$
$$HD = 43.8 \text{ mg/L} - 43.8 \text{ mg/L} = 0 \text{ mg/L}$$

- M. Calculate the humidity deficit of inspired air at 20° C and a relative humidity of 80%.

$$AH = \text{Capacity} \times \%RH$$
$$AH = 17.3 \text{ mg/L} \times 0.80 = 13.8 \text{ mg/L}$$
$$HD = \text{Absolute Humidity} - \text{Body Humidity}$$
$$HD = 13.8 \text{ mg/L} - 43.8 \text{ mg/L} = 30 \text{ mg/L}$$

#### IV. CYLINDER DURATION CALCULATIONS

- A. The gauge on an H cylinder of O<sub>2</sub> reads 2000 psig. About how long would the contents of this cylinder last, until completely empty, at a flow of 6 L/min?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Amount of Gas}}{\text{Flow}} \\ \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Pressure (psig)} \times \text{Cylinder Factor}}{\text{Flow (L/min)}} \\ \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{2,000 \text{ psig} \times 3.14}{6 \text{ L/min}} = \frac{6,280}{6} = 1046.7 \text{ min} = 17 \text{ hours, } 27 \text{ min.} \end{aligned}$$

- B. The gauge on an E cylinder of O<sub>2</sub> reads 800 psig. About how long would the contents of this cylinder last, until completely empty, at a flow of 3 L/min?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Amount of Gas}}{\text{Flow}} \\ \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Pressure (psig)} \times \text{Cylinder Factor}}{\text{Flow (L/min)}} \\ \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{800 \text{ psig} \times 0.28}{3 \text{ L/min}} = \frac{224}{3} = 74.7 \text{ min} = 1 \text{ hour, } 14.6 \text{ min.} \end{aligned}$$

- C. You are planning a patient transport that will take about 2 hours. The patient requires manual ventilation with 10 L/min of O<sub>2</sub>. What is the minimum number of full E cylinders (2,000 psig) would you need to take with you?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Amount of Gas}}{\text{Flow}} \\ \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Pressure (psig)} \times \text{Cylinder Factor}}{\text{Flow (L/min)}} \\ \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{2,000 \text{ psig} \times 0.28}{10 \text{ L/min}} = \frac{560}{10} = 56 \text{ min.} \\ \text{3 cylinders will be needed (2 would leave you 8 minutes short!)} \end{aligned}$$

- D. One L of liquid O<sub>2</sub> is the equivalent of about how many L of gaseous O<sub>2</sub>?

**860 L**

- E. 5 pounds of liquid oxygen is present in a canister. If a nasal cannula is being used at 3 l/min, how long will the canister last?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Amount of Gas in Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Liquid O}_2 \text{ weight} \times 860}{2.5 \text{ lb/L}} \\ \text{Amount of Gas} &= \frac{5 \text{ lb} \times 860}{2.5 \text{ lb/L}} = \frac{4,300}{2.5} = 1,720 \text{ L} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{\text{Amount of Gas}}{\text{Flow}} \\ \text{Duration of Cylinder} &= \frac{1,720 \text{ L}}{3 \text{ L/min}} = 573.3 \text{ min} = 9 \text{ hours, } 33 \text{ minutes!} \end{aligned}$$

- F. 35 pounds of liquid oxygen is in a stationary reservoir. If a simple mask running at 6 liters/minute is attached, how long will the reservoir last?

$$\text{Amount of Gas in Cylinder} = \frac{\text{Liquid O}_2 \text{ weight} \times 860}{2.5 \text{ lb/L}}$$
$$\text{Amount of Gas} = \frac{35 \text{ lb} \times 860}{2.5 \text{ lb/L}} = \frac{30,100}{2.5} = 12,040 \text{ L}$$

$$\text{Duration of Cylinder} = \frac{\text{Amount of Gas}}{\text{Flow}}$$
$$\text{Duration of Cylinder} = \frac{12,040 \text{ L}}{6 \text{ L/min}} = 2006.7 \text{ min} = 33 \text{ hours, } 27 \text{ minutes!}$$